

General Contact information

- The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) provides information, resources, and technical assistance.

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Residency Dispute

- The PDE has developed a complaint process to investigate whether a Pennsylvania school district is denying a student the right to attend public school.
- Students who are living with an adult outside the school district in which their parents live;
- Students in foster homes; and
- Students in residential “children’s institutions,” such as group homes, maternity homes, and mental health facilities.
- For more information about these students’ rights, please consult [The Education Law Center’s Fact Sheet: The Right to Attend School](#).
- For a guide to the Residency Dispute Complaint process, click [here](#).

[Basic Education Circular](#)

General Resources

- **[Peterson's K-12 Planner](#)** : You may use this site to learn about summer programs, private schools, and more.
- **High School Career Centers** : Most high schools have career centers that offer an extensive collection of resources.
- **A Better Chance Program** : A Better Chance offers support information to students who are interested in attending private schools. <http://www.abetterchance.org/>
- **Steppingstone Scholars** : Steppingstone Scholars, <http://www.stepscholars.org/> is a Philadelphia based program that prepares students for college.

Financial Aid for Private K-12 Education

- There are more than three hundred privately licensed high schools in the United States. The education direct federal operation across the country.
- SchoolGrants (<http://www.schoolgrants.org>): A site for PreK-12 educators to find information about private schools.
- **Coverdell Education Savings Accounts** (<http://www.irs.gov/taxtopics/tc310.html>): for elementary and secondary schools.
- **Children's Scholarship Fund** (<http://www.scholarshipfund.org/index.asp>): provides partial tuitionth assistance to students.

- [CEO America, Lehigh Valley](http://www.ceoamerica.net/) (<http://www.ceoamerica.net/>) Provides a 1-y
- Pennsylvania's Children's Tuition Fund <http://www.acsi.org/Students/ChildrensTuitionFund/tabid/728/Default.aspx>
- [Philadelphia BAE0 Scholarship Program](http://philadelphia.baed.org/) (<http://philadelphia.baed.org/>)

Local Intermediate Units

- Intermediate Units are organized in Pennsylvania as part of the governance structure of public edu

Delaware	County	Intermediate Unit
Education Service Center 200 Yale Avenue Morton, PA 19070 610-938-9000 Fax 610-938-9887 info@dcIU.org www.dciU.org		

Chester	County	Intermediate Unit
Educational Service Center 455 Boot Road Downingtown PA 19335 484-237-5000 Fax: 484-237-5154 www.cciU.org		

Montgomery	County	Intermediate Unit
1605 West Main Street Norristown, Pa 19403		

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Head Start Program

- [Head Start](#) is a comprehensive child development program, funded by the federal government wh

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The National School Lunch Program (NSLP)

- (NSLP) is a federally assisted meal program operating in public and nonprofit private schools and

Philadelphia Field Office (613)
Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
U.S. Customs House, Room 600
200 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106-2986
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The Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN)

- [PaTTAN](#) is an initiative of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, working in partnership with

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- When planning for your **College Savings Plans Network** (CSPN) is helpful to consider [prepaid tuition](#) and [esavings.org](#) is a national

Legal Resources

- Legal Aid of Southeastern PA (<http://www.legalaidpa.org>) their mission is to provide quality legal representation
- Delaware County Bar Association (<http://www.delcobar.org/>) 610.566.6625
- Chester County Bar Association (<http://www.chescobar.org/>) 610.692.1889

- Montgomery County Bar Association <http://montgomerybar.org/> 610-279-9660

- **Education Law Center (ELC)** (www.elc-pa.org 215.238.3300)

- Making sure that all children have access to school and school programs. We work to eliminate poverty.
- Providing families (and those who work with them) reliable, understandable information about education.
- Improving schools. We work with local and statewide groups on getting more funding for our needs.